



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Board of Officers Regular Meeting Agenda **DRAFT**

6:30-9:30 PM MARCH 19TH, 2024
Westminster Elementary School
1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd Venice, CA 90291
(enter from parking lot on Westminster Ave)

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND BOARD ROLL CALL

Brian Averill	Alley Bean	Yolanda Gonzalez	Bruno Hernandez
Jim Robb	Lisa Redmond	Deborah Keaton	Jason Sugars
Helen Fallon	Robert Thibodeau	Eric Donaldson	Christopher Lee
Tima Bell	Erica Moore	Amara Hordt	
Michael Jensen	Clark Brown	CJ Cole	
Nico Ruderman	Steve Bradbury	Soledad Ursua	

2. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES.

3. DECLARATION OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR RECUSALS

4. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

5. GOVERNMENT REPORTS

6. CYCLAVIA REPORT

7. TREASURER'S REPORT

8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT



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9. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT – LIMIT TO 20MIN/1MIN PER SPEAKER

Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed one (1) minute unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the meeting.

10. GENERAL CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MOTION: The VNC Board of Officers approves the January 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER). See supporting documents. (Committee vote 2-0-0)

B. MOTION: The VNC Board of Officers approves the proposed budget adjustments (see supporting documents).

C. OUTREACH TABLING AT THE QUAKE HERO'S CD11 VENICE EVENT

MOTION: VNC will have an Outreach table at the CD11 Quake Heroes Venice Event this summer, specific date and location to be determined. We will engage stakeholders and provide VNC branded swag. Total expenses for this presence will not exceed previous Board approved limits of \$200.00 for tabled events.

D. CICLAVIA OUTREACH TABLING

Motion: VNC will have an Outreach table at the end of the CICLAVIA route on Sunday, April 21st 2024 where we will engage stakeholders and provide VNC branded swag. Total expenses for this presence will not exceed previous Board approved limits of \$200.00 for tabled events.

E. CIS FILINGS:

Motion: VNC Board of Officers supports Council file 24-0055 Community Impact Statement (CIS) in support of Council File 24-0055 addressing Gas Leaf Blowers. CIS supporting Council File 24-0055 addressing Gas Leaf Blowers - see attached Council Motion in supporting documents

11. OLD BUSINESS

12. NEW BUSINESS

13. PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

A. RESOLUTION FOR ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE BETTER ENFORCEMENT AGAINST HOMELESSNESS USES IN VENICE

Motion to send the supporting document to Mayor Bass and Councilwoman Park



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14. RULES AND SELECTIONS

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES

15. LUPC

A. 522 VENICE BLVD. - (4-2-1)

DESCRIPTION

Motion to approve as presented density bonus conditional use permit, CDP with Mello, and major project permit Venice Coastal SPP compliance for a new 25 unit apartment (5 VLI units).

MOTION:

Demolition of residential triplex currently used as “podshare” co-living to be replaced by 25-unit apartment building with 5 Very Low Income units. The Project seeks a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) pursuant to LAMC 12.24(U)(26) to permit a density bonus greater than 35% with the following incentives and waivers pursuant to LAMC 12.22 A 25 and CA Government Code Section 65915: Incentives (12.22 A 25): On-Menu • Permit a 6’-11” increase in varied roofline height to allow up to 36’-11” in lieu of the maximum 30 feet allowed in the RD1.5-1 zone pursuant to the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan • Permit a 40% reduction in required front yard setback along Mildred Avenue frontage to allow a 9’ front yard setback in lieu of the required 15’ front yard setback pursuant to LAMC 12.09.1.B.1 • Permit a 37% reduction of total required common open space to allow the provision of 784 square feet of total common open space in lieu of the 1,250 square feet required for total common open space pursuant to LAMC 12.21.G.2.a.1.iv • Permit a 21% reduction in required westerly side yard setback along Ocean Avenue frontage to allow a 4’-9” side yard setback in lieu of the required 6’ side yard setback pursuant to LAMC 12.09.1.B.1 • Permit the removal of the step-back provisions for the portions of the structure greater than 25 feet as otherwise required by Section 10G.3.a of the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan. • Permit the provision of 5 automobile parking spaces in lieu of the 57 automobiles required pursuant to the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan Section 13.D and LAMC 12.21.A.4 • Permit the provision of 3 standard parking stalls and 2 compact parking stalls in lieu of the 1 standard parking space per dwelling unit minimum required pursuant to LAMC 12.21.A.5.(1)c.

B. Development Subsidies for Low Income Housing – Stakeholder Motion by Frank Murphy (2nd agenda request) (8-0-1)

Background This motion seeks support for government subsidies to be granted equally to smaller community builders who develop housing in our community. Government subsidized and grant-driven projects historically and currently have proven to be incapable of providing housing. Large corporate subsidized and for-profit builders of 50 or more unit building types account for 13.1% of the housing in Venice and 13.6% in all of the City of Los Angeles. In contrast, housing produced by “mom & pop” community builders of two to 24 unit building types account for 46.6% of housing units in Venice and 36.9% of units within the City of Los



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Angeles. Large government subsidized and grant driven projects historically and currently have provided housing that is massively over and above any reasonable character and scale that any residential community should be required to accommodate. Smaller apartment buildings are more in line with the community's characteristics and provide more opportunity to engage with neighbors and the community. Large projects in Venice have frequently ignored VNC concerns, instead relying on political connections to obtain approvals. Finally, large government subsidized and grant driven projects cost vastly more per square than smaller projects.

MOTION: WHEREAS, the VNC supports small businesses made up of smaller community builders who create low income housing in multi-unit apartment buildings that conform to the VCZSP; WHEREAS, the VNC supports smaller scale apartment buildings dispersed throughout the community; NOW, THEREFORE, the VNC recommends that the City of Los Angeles provide the same opportunities for subsidies, grants, and subsidized loans to local, community builders providing low income units that it provides to larger, "non-profit" corporate developers. This motion shall be sent to Council Member Traci Park and CD11 Planning Deputy Jeff Khau.

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